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Federal Opportunities

Head Start-University Partnerships Research Projects. *The Department of Health and Human Services* announces funds for three initiatives: (1) Head Start -University Partnerships for research activities to develop and test models that use child outcomes to support continuous program improvement in local Head Start programs. (2) Early-Head Start-University Partnerships for research activities to support the development of infant-toddler mental health. (3) Graduate Student Research Grants to support field-initiated research activities. Eligible applicants: Universities, four-year colleges, and nonprofit institutions on behalf of researchers who hold a doctoral degree or equivalent in their respective fields. The deadline is May 3, 2002. For further information, contact Head Start Research Support at 1-877 663-0250.

Funds to Strengthen Communities and Organizations in Using Service and Volunteers to Support Homeland Security *The Corporation for National and Community Service* announces funds to strengthen community efforts in support of public safety, public health, and disaster preparedness and relief. Eligible applicants include State commissions on national and community service; nonprofit and faith-based organizations; and public entities at the state and local level. The deadline date is May 5, 2002. Approximately \$5 million is available for new grants under the AmeriCorps*State competitive and AmeriCorps*National programs, \$5 million for new grants under Special Volunteer Programs and \$1.4 million to support Retired and Senior Volunteer. For further information please contact Nancy Talbot at (202) 606-5000 ext. 470 or ntalbot@cns.gov. Also

see <http://www.nationalservice.org>.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grants. Notices and application packets are made available for grant programs with open deadlines. Currently, there are not any open grants but check the clearinghouse regularly to avoid missing new grant announcements and materials. http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm

Foundation Opportunities

Refuge Support Group Grant Program 2002. *The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation* is requesting proposals for projects that assist organizations be effective co-stewards of important natural resources. This program provides competitive seed grants (\$1500 - \$5000) for nonprofits, "Friends" groups and other citizen support organizations. The next deadline is April 1, 2002. Contact Trevor Needham at (202) 857-0166 or needham@nfwf.org. See <http://www.nfwf.org/programs/nwrgp.htm>.

Service, Advocacy and Empowerment. *The Public Welfare Foundation* accepts letters of inquiry from groups that provide services to disadvantaged populations and those working for lasting improvements in meeting basic human needs. The foundation makes grants in the areas of community and economic development, criminal justice, disadvantaged elderly people and youths, environment, health, human rights, population, and technology assistance. Most grants range from \$25,000 to \$50,000 and may be for general operating support, particularly at smaller organizations, or for a

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specific project that is consistent with the foundation's mission and programs. Additional information is available at the foundation's Web site. Who may apply: nongovernmental groups. For more information, contact the Public Welfare Foundation, 1200 U Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009; (202) 965-1800; general@publicwelfare.org. Also see <http://www.publicwelfare.org>

Resources & Announcements

WBC Women's Capital Award. *The Women's Business Center* announces an award competition for local women entrepreneurs. Any women-owned business in the metropolitan Washington, DC area is eligible to apply. One winner will receive a \$5,000 award to move a business to the next level of growth or purchase equipment. Two runners-up will receive technical assistance. For information, call (202) 785-4922. Also visit www.womensbusinesscenter.org.

Compassion Capital Fund. *The US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families* is soliciting public comments for the preparation of guidelines to award funds in fiscal year 2002, as allowed by the newly Compassion Capital Fund, part of the Administration's Faith-Based Initiative. Funds will be used to support public/private partnerships to help small faith-based and community-based organizations replicate or expand model social service programs. Congress has appropriated \$30 million for this program. For more information on how to comment or to send comments, contact Bobby Polito at (202) 690-6241 or ccf@acf.dhhs.gov.

Metropolitan Police Department Cadet Program. *The Metropolitan Police Department and the University of the District of Columbia* announce the opening of the recruiting campaign for the Cadet Program for young adults between the ages of 17 to 21. The Cadet Program is designed to provide educational and on-the-job training to qualified recent high school graduates who are interested in a career in law enforcement. Persons selected as police cadets become full-time students at UDC while gaining on-the-job-exposure to policing principles and methods. Tuition for attending UDC is paid by MPD. In addition, cadet students attend training at

the Institute of Police Science where they are introduced to law enforcement ethics and principles. Finally, students appointed as police cadets are considered civilian employees of MPD and are paid a 30 hour part time salary of approx. \$18,000.00 (DS-6 level). At the completion of the two-year program, successful candidates receive an Associate Degree from UDC and are converted to career police status to begin their employment as police officer recruits. Information about the Cadet Program is available through MPD's recruiting unit, in room 2169 of police headquarters. For more information contact (202) 727-2767 or visit www.mpdc.org.

Save the Date! 2002 Public-Private Partnership Conference. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* announces the fourth annual public-private partnership conference with the theme "Building Partnerships for Better Neighborhoods." The conference is scheduled for Thursday, June 6th at George Washington University's Marvin Center. Further information and registration materials will be available soon. For more information, contact (202) 727-8900 or opgd@dc.gov.

Distinguished DC Government Employee Award. The 3rd annual Morris & Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation Awards for Distinguished DC Government Employees is looking for the best performers in District government. Five winners will be awarded \$7,500 each. Nominate yourself or someone you know who makes life better for the people of DC. Nomination forms are available at www.dcagenda.org and at District government agencies and libraries. The deadline for nominations is April 2, 2002. For more information call (202) 223-2598.

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